

Eugene Police Department Commendations

July 2018



The Eugene Police Department received 15 commendations from citizens in July, 2018. Below is a sample of those commendations.

- A citizen commended officers for the job they did in removing trespassers near the building the citizen works in. The building serves as a business where young children were attending camp for the week. The citizen wanted to ensure the location was safe when parents and their children were going to be in the area. The citizen commented, "I really appreciated and wanted to thank the officers that have been handling it. They just did such a good job. They handled it really well."
- An officer was commended by a citizen for the way the officer handled the traffic when there was a disabled vehicle in a busy roadway. The officer was able to stop traffic and then help a female push her car out of the road. The citizen commented, "I just wanted to say good job! I know it's a hard job out there!"
- A citizen commended an officer for the positive ride-along experience the citizen had recently. The commendation reads as follows: "Getting you as my ride-along chauffeur was definitely "luck of the draw", in a positive sense of the phrase. I enjoyed every minute of it. Your teaching abilities informed me with much more than I could possibly have known to ask for. It's comforting to know Eugene has quality officers like you."
- Officers were commended by a citizen for the increased bike patrols near the citizen's place of business. The efforts have led to a decrease in the number of trespassers outside the front of the citizen's workplace. The citizen commented, "We've had over the years, a number of problems with folks trying to camp outside our door. But, we've seen a drastic drop in those problems this year. We've also noticed the bike patrols cruising through here more and I think they've made a really big difference for us. We would like to say thank you!"
- A citizen commended a call-taker for the professionalism and calming tone that was displayed when the call-taker handled a call for service involving a road rage vehicle. This citizen and their spouse accidentally pulled out in front of another vehicle that proceeded to follow them and honk their horn for miles. The citizen had a ten month old with them as well. The citizen stated that the call-taker was "calm and very reassuring" while directing them to

police headquarters to make contact with officers at a time they were very scared.

- An officer was commended by a citizen for their professionalism and politeness when the officer made contact with the citizen to brief them on park rules. The citizen commented, "He said it such a nice way...He was just a nice guy!"
- A citizen commended an officer for their efforts in responding to a call for service related to a 'Check Welfare' call involving the citizen's daughter. The citizen lives out of state and was very concerned about the well-being of their daughter. The officer was able to make contact with the citizen's daughter and ensure everything was alright. The citizen was very appreciative of the action taken by the officer and commented, "Thank you for checking in on my daughter!"
- An officer was commended by a citizen for the insight the officer was able to provide to the citizen in regards to a problem they had encountered. The citizen commented, "He took the time to really listen and understand what was going on. He informed us of what actions he could take and what we should do next. (Officer's name) followed up on his word and contacted me to confirm that it was handled as we had discussed. I really appreciate his kindness and polite response. I for one really appreciate not only (officer's name)

but, all of you and what you do for the community. Keep up the good work (officer's name)!!! You made my day."

- A citizen commended an officer for the compassion that was displayed during a motor vehicle accident incident. The citizen commented, "Yesterday I was in an accident...Just a minor accident, but there was an officer behind me who saw it all and stopped. I want you to know the kindness that he showed me, made a really bad moment better. I had no insurance, just got my car, and I was so scared. He was kind, gentle, and walked me through the ticket he had to give me. I was crying and he didn't get annoyed or frustrated. He took the time to make sure I was ok and helped me calm down. I just want to say thank you."
- The Eugene Police Department was commended by a citizen for their patrol efforts in the citizen's neighborhood. The citizen has seen how the recent efforts have limited the excessive speeding and noise that was witnessed in the past. The citizen commented, "I wanted to thank the police department for helping keep the neighborhood a little quieter. The young guys with their speedy cars and loud mufflers were making it pretty bad sometimes. I appreciate it so much that you're doing your job."